Questions and Responses

FRFP NNG14476256R

1. Are the Past Performance Questionnaires due on the proposal due date (15 Dec) according to Block 9 of SF33 or two weeks prior to proposal due date according to the Questionnaires?

ANSWER: The Past Performance Questionnaires are due on the proposal due date of December 15, 2014. The Offeror can submit the Questionnaire's earlier than the due date.

2. The Performance Evaluation Plan was provided as Attachment C to the draft RFP however please clarify if a Performance Evaluation Plan will be provided as part of the final RFP.

ANSWER: The Performance Evaluation Plan is Enclosure F of the Final RFP.

3. Should the submitted hard copies of Volume III include print outs of all the cost spreadsheets in the exhibits?

ANSWER: Yes. Please include print outs of all cost spreadsheets.

4. Please clarify the percentage required for significant subcontractor. Ref (20% on page 94 of the Final RFP and 25% on page 107 of the final RFP).

ANSWER: The percentage required for Significant Subcontractors is 20%.

5. Applicable reference section "-423-CDRD-TBD," please provide the current copy of the CDRD or indicate the location of the CDRD.

ANSWER: The document is currently named 423-CDRD-tbd and can be found on the EED Technical RFP site at:

https://eed2home.ems.eosdis.nasa.gov/cm/wiki/eed2home.EOSDIS%20Evolution%20and%20Development%20(EED-2).wiki/1004384main EED2%20CDRL.pdf

6. Pricing instruction call out May 1, 2015 as the start of Phase in Plan, however the cover letter states Phase in begins July 15. Please clarify anticipated Phase-In Start Date.

ANSWER: The Phase-In Start date is the award/effective date of the contract which is anticipated to be May 1, 2015.

7. Please clarify if Microsoft Excel 2003 is the version that must be used to submit cost proposal exhibits.

ANSWER: The Offeror can use Microsoft Excel 2003 or 2007.

8. Is it permissible for the contractor to combine all cost exhibits (GPM and backup) into one workbook to allow for ease of review by the customer and to ensure all values can be linked and equal?

ANSWER: The Offeror can combine all cost exhibits into one workbook if they so choose.

9. In Section L of the FRFP, specifically L.19 GSFC 52.215-223 (Cost Volume) (AUG 2014), the GPM Offeror Management and Administrative Hours/Costs Section of Exhibit 1A, provided non-labor-oriented recurring ODCs and/or CERs cost for Material and Travel for each Contract Year, I.e. CY1 = \$7.9M and \$86.7K for Travel. However there is no language in the pricing instructions as how to treat these amounts. Please clarify if the cost is a Not-To-Exceed amount, or a plug amount.

ANSWER: The cost for the travel and materials for each calendar year is a plug number. This number should not be changed.

10. There is an RTO number that seems to be omitted in the Enclosure A – RTO1.pdf document. Under RTO1-1.4 Hardware, the number RTO1-1.4.10 is missing.

ANSWER: There is no section 1.4.10 in the Final RFP.

11. The third paragraph on Page 103 of the FRFP references Exhibit 13A "Fringe Benefit Chart." This title is not included in the RFP documents. Exhibit 3-12 includes a tab titled "Exhibit 10A FB Exempt" and Exhibit 10B FB Non Exempt." Are these the spreadsheets that should be referenced on Page 103 instead of Exhibit 13A?

ANSWER: Yes. The Exhibits that this paragraph is pertaining to is Exhibit 10A and 10B.

12. Section L Subfactor B – Management Approach, Page 102 "Position Qualifications" and L.19 GSFC 52.215-223 Cost Volume Instructions (AUG 2014) (c) Government Pricing Model (GPM) appear to conflict. Given that the Government has already provided position qualifications in Enclosure E – Position Descriptions.pdf, is it the intent of the Government to have the Offerors re-state the position qualifications provided in Enclosure E in the Management Approach?

ANSWER: It is not the Government's intent to have Offerors copy the Position Descriptions we provide them, as those position descriptions are intended to make clear the qualifications associated with the GPM-specified non-management labor categories. The Offeror must submit their own position descriptions which map to the GPM positions and build rates as required in cost exhibit 2A – Non-Management Direct Labor Category Conversion.